GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:266
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World Class Highways
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to upgrade the existing National Highways to world class highways and if so, the details thereof;

(b) the details of the National Highways which are in dilapidated condition and in urgent need of repair along with the norms for identifying such national highways;

(c) the details of proposals and requests received from various States for the repair of such National Highways along with action taken in this regard during the last three years and the current year, State-wise;

(d) the details of the proposals pending, if any, State-wise along with the time by which these proposals are likely to be cleared; and

(e) the funds allocated and spent for the purpose during the said period?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI MANSUKH L. MANDAVIYA)

(a) to (e) A Statement is laid on the Table of the House.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (e) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 266 ANSWERED ON 04.08.2016 ASKED BY SHRI RAYAPATI SAMBASIVA RAO AND SHRI M.I. SHANAVAS REGARDING WORLD CLASS HIGHWAYS

(a) There are two National Expressways (NE) at present. NE-1 (Ahmedabad- Vadodara Expressway), having 93.4 km length, was developed as 4 lane Expressway in 2004 and is under operation; works for construction of NE-2 (Eastern Peripheral Expressway in the States of Uttar Pradesh and Haryana, connecting NH-1 and NH-2), of about 135 length, have been awarded in August, 2015 and is targeted for completion in March, 2018. The details of ongoing / planned projects for development of Expressways, sanctioned cost of ongoing projects, along with their current status is at Annexure-I.

(b) to (e) The development and maintenance of National Highways (NHs) is a continuous process. The works on NHs are accordingly taken up from time to time as per inter-se priority, traffic density and availability of funds to keep the NHs in traffic worthy conditions. In stretches under implementation, the maintenance is carried out by the Contractor/Concessionaire as part of their obligations in the Contract.

The State/Union Territory (UT)-wise details of proposals received and sanctioned during the last three years and current year for Periodical Renewal (PR)/ Improvement of Riding Quality (IRQP) are at Annexure-II.

The year-wise and State/UT-wise details of funds allocated and expenditure incurred for maintenance and repair of NHs during each of the last three years and the current year are at Annexure-III.